DDA with Stenographers Grade 'C' in the Government, DDA revised the pay scale of Senior Stenographers from Rs. 1400—2600 to Rs. 1640—2900 w.e.f. 1.1.1996. However, they have gone to the Court to give this revised pay scale w.e.f. 1.1.1986 instead of 1.1.1996. The matter is still subjudice.

Removal of construction in Vikaspuri

526. MISS FRIDA TOPNO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 3112 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 18th December, 2000 and state:

- (a) whether Hon'ble High Court of Delhi had *vide* their Order in Civil Writ Petition No. 4203/98 dated the 20th July, 2000 directed the Commissioner, MCD to give sanctity to the site plan of Banasthali Public School sanctioned by DDA by removing the construction made by the residents of G Block, Vikaspuri on the 43 feet wide road; and
- (b) if so, what action has since been taken by MCD to give effect to the above directions of the Hon'ble High Court?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) and (b) Municipal Corporation of Delhi has confirmed that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi by its Order dated 20.7.2000 in the Civil Writ No. 4203/98 directed it to take appropriate action so that the sanctioned plan could be given the sanctity. In the hearing held on 24.8.2000, the Hon'ble High Court passed orders to find out the feasibility of providing access from the place where temple has been built. The Residents Welfare Association of G Block, Vikaspuri has also filed a counter cases as CWP No. 6350/2000 which has been merged with the Civil Writ stated above. Action on opening of the gate will be based on the final judgement in the case which is awaited and is being pursued through the counsel of the MCD. MCD is waiting for the final judgement of Hon'ble Court in the case.

News-item regarding Gandhi Smarak Nidhi

†527. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

- (a) Government's reaction to the news-item captioned, "Gandhi smarak nidhi ki jameen par avaidh kabja", published in the Dainik Jagran, dated 4th February, 2001;
 - (b) whether Government have made any inquiry in this regard;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
 - (d) the steps being taken by Government to check such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Basic amenities in Jhuggi-clusters in the country

- †528. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of people living in Jhuggi-clusters in various cities/ metropolitans/municipalities/suburbs along with State-wise/metropolitan, suburb and city-wise detials thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that no basic amenities are available in these Jhuggi-clusters;
- (c) if so, the number of such clusters where these amenities are not available; and
- (d) by when Government would provide basic facilities in these Jhuggiclusters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (d) Slum development is a State subject. As per Compendium on Indian Slum (1996) prepared by Town & Country Planning Organisation (TCPO) the estimated slum population in 1991 of all States/UTs is as given in Statement-I. The metropolitan-wise slum population also as per the Compendium is given in Statement-II. This Ministry is monitoring the implementation of the National Slum Development

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